

The Alexandria Gazette

FRIDAY EVENING, OCTOBER 10.

COURT.—Yesterday, the case of the Com. vs. Sidel, on an indictment—motion to quash indictment overruled—demurrer sustained.

Joseph Hudley, a free negro, charged with felony, was declared not guilty, and ordered to be discharged.

In the case of the Com. vs. John and Jas. Boswell, William Curran, and J. W. Payne, a nolle prosequi was entered.

In the case of John Wilson, alias Joseph Holliday and John Royal, free negroes, felony, a nolle prosequi was ordered to be entered and the prisoners discharged from custody.

Com. vs. Wesley Avery—on an indictment—nolle prosequi entered in the case.

J. A. Stoutenburgh appeared, and qualified as deputy collector.

On motion of E. H. Delehay, Commissioner of Revenue, Jas. A. Stoutenburgh was appointed to assist him in the discharge of the duties of said office, when he shall have qualified.

T. A. Stoutenburgh, special Commissioner to settle the account of S. F. Beach, administrator of T. C. Atkinson, dec'd., made his report, which was ordered to lie for thirty days for exceptions, and be published.

A nolle prosequi was entered in the case of Com. vs. Owen Nugent.

The gentlemen soliciting aid for the Orphan Asylum, requests us to say that, owing to the extensive field of their operations, and the frequent absence of persons from their homes, they have been compelled to omit many who would otherwise have contributed to secure the required aid. They request that all who have been overlooked, and desire to contribute, will send their names to Dr. Elias Harrison, or this office, with as little delay as possible, as the wants of the institution are imperative.

MILITARY GOVERNOR.—The report that Gen. Slough, Military Governor of this place, had been relieved by Col. Tate, is incorrect. The report originated from the fact that the 33d Massachusetts regiment is to be relieved from duty as Provost Guard by the 1st District of Columbia volunteers Col. Tate.

THE TOWN CLOCK.—The necessary repairs to the "old" Town Clock have been made, and once more its iron tongue rings out the hours.

LIBERTY HALL.—The crowded audiences which have attended the performances of the Canterbury Company, for the past ten nights is an evidence of its great popularity in the community, and in fact the entertainments of the excellent Company have been remarkably successful since their commencement, and the public interest seems not in the least diminished, the house being well filled nightly, and the enthusiasm quite undiminished. Dick Parker has the knack of putting acts upon the stage, which cannot fail to delight his audiences, and the success of the establishment is owing in a great degree to his excellent management. Miss Agnes Sutherland, the charming vocalist, appears to-night in new ballads, and the whole company, including Dick, will appear in new dances, new songs, new solos, and an entire new pantomime.

Congratulatory Order of Gen. McClellan.

HEADQUARTERS ARMY OF THE POTOMAC,
October 9, 8:30 P. M.

The Commanding General extends his congratulations to the army under his command for the victories achieved by their bravery at the Passes of the South Mountain and upon the Antietam Creek. The brilliant conduct of Generals Reno's and Hooker's corps, under Gen. Burnside, at Turner's Gap, and of Gen. Franklin's corps at Crampton's Pass, in which in the face of the enemy strong in position and resisted with obstinacy, they carried the mountain, and prepared the way for the advance of the army, won for them the admiration of their brethren in arms.

In the memorable battle of Antietam we defeated a numerous and powerful army of the enemy in an action desperately fought, and remarkable for its duration, and for the destruction of life which attended it. The obstinate bravery of the troops of Gens. Hooker, Mansfield, and Sumner; the dashing gallantry of those of Gen. Franklin on the right; the steady valor of those of Gen. Burnside on the left, and the vigorous support of Gens. Porter and Pleasonton, present a brilliant spectacle to our countrymen, which will swell their hearts with pride and exultation.

Fourteen guns, thirty-nine colors, fifteen thousand five hundred stand of arms, and nearly six thousand prisoners taken from the enemy are evidences of the completeness of our triumph.

A grateful country will thank this noble army for achievements which have rescued the loyal States of the East from the ravages of the invader, and have driven him from their borders.

While rejoicing at the victories, which under God's blessing have crowned our exertions, let us cherish the memory of our departed companions who have laid down their lives upon the battle field. Martyrs in their country's cause, their names will ever be enshrined in the hearts of the people.

By command of Major Gen. McClellan:
S. WILLIAMS, A. A. S.

Senator Sumner's recent speech in Boston in defence of his policy, and in favor of President Lincoln's proclamation, is widely circulated. He is now regarded as the leader of the Republican party, and the author of the anti-slavery policy now adopted.

In Washington, a short time since, Mr. Michel Shanks withdrew his deposits from bank and stowed them away in different portions of his premises, placing one lot, consisting of \$1,500 in gold, under a hearth in the house he then occupied, (corner of Eighteenth street and New York avenue.) In moving from this house, the house was rented, and a tenant was at once installed into the domicile. On Monday last, thinking that the condition of affairs made it safe to remove the deposit, he went with two friends to the house, and the tenant readily gave permission to him to take up the hearth and secure the treasure. After considerable working, the bricks were all removed and the dirt scratched up, but no money was to be found! No trace of the money so mysteriously spirited away has been found.

Philadelphia, it seems, is not only afflicted with a scarcity of small change, but has but little currency of any denomination below twenty dollar bills in circulation.

It is understood at Washington that the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad will be opened to Cumberland in a day or two. We hardly think this possible.

Hon. John Tayloe Lomax died in Fredericksburg, on the 1st instant. He was formerly connected with the University of Virginia, and was for several years a judge of the Superior Court of that State. (?) Is not this a mistake.

[COMMUNICATED.]

"Friend of my soul, this goblet sip!"—Well, as you are not here, I will sip it for thee! Yea, and "drink it to the dregs!" Thou hast heard, and thy answer has been speedy! What, if the "proper authorities" did not heed my complaints, and refused to answer my respectful inquiries? The last gurgle of the demijohn must have reached thine ears, for lo! no sooner had I made that touching inquiry—"what am I to do—where am I to go!"—than thy bottle made its appearance, as if in response, and gladly did I welcome its advent. I, who indulge in no matutinal drams, and no post prandial toddies—who only, at high change take my plain whiskey and water, can now for a few days, at least, solace my weary heart—if that is the exact point to be reached—with my accustomed beverage—and hope when that bottle is empty, another may supply its place—a little more of the same sort may reach me! Adieu my friend; accept the grateful remembrance of thy obliged friend. TOBIAS FURMITRY.

A person who had just received a thousand dollars from the Government, and had spent but about twenty of it, was yesterday robbed when about leaving Washington by the morning train for Baltimore. In the short space of time that elapsed during his walk from the ticket office to the car, his pocket book turned up missing. The money was all in Treasury notes.

At Point Lookout, Md., in the course of a week or ten days there will have been completed seventeen new hospital buildings for the reception of sick and wounded soldiers, which, added to the present accommodations, will give room for about 2,500 patients. The buildings form a circle with about two acres in the centre, on which will be erected a commodious two-story building, to be used for a cook-house, laundry, dining rooms, and sleeping apartments.

The steamer Despatch arrived at the Washington Navy Yard, on Wednesday, bringing up a number of prisoners and several refugees from the Lower Potomac, who were captured by the vessels of the flotilla near Blackiston's Island. The Despatch also brought up a lot of contraband goods captured in transitu to Virginia, mostly consisting of dry goods, among which is a large quantity of mourning goods.

In accordance with resolutions passed, the Triennial Episcopal Convention adjourned on Wednesday after a very brief session, for the purpose of participating in the solemn "fasting, humiliation and prayer," for which the day had been set apart. The services were conducted at Trinity Chapel, before an immense concourse. Supplications, especially chosen for the occasion, were offered up, imploring the mercy of the Most High, and the restoration of peace.

General Buell's baggage train, which arrived safe at Louisville on the 3d inst., was twenty miles long, and was composed of eighteen hundred wagons and ten thousand horses.

A Washington dispatch to N. Y. Tribune says:—Since the appearance of General McClellan's order with respect to the President's proclamation of freedom, some surprise has been manifested at the silence of Gen. Halleck, who, as General-in-Chief, would naturally be expected to call the attention of all the armies of the Republic to it in a General Order."